



Camp Bucca Detention Facility



An Analysis Of The Escape of On 26 January 2004 from Compound 9

Conducted by:
CPT [REDACTED] / 310th MP BN S-3



Timeline (26 January 04)



- 0001 CPT [REDACTED] (S-3) instructs SSG [REDACTED] (Battle Captain) to implement Fog Plan do to the increasing low level FOG moving in (if needed)
- 0020 OIC (1LT [REDACTED] 988th MP Co) plans to implement Fog Plan
- 0030 Visibility very poor; OIC calls Fog Plan
- 0040 All compounds notified to implement Fog Plan
- 0100 Response team arrives by PLT (entire 988th MP Co / IF OPS)
- 0200 OIC lifts Fog Plan do to the fog lifting and visibility increasing
- 0215 SFC [REDACTED] (CCT -NCOIC) reports all prisoners accounted for
- 0300 OIC fog coming in heavy, visibility 25 meters,
- 0320 OIC reinstates Fog Plan, plans order of count of compound 12, 11, 10, 9 & 8
- 0330 SRT and additional MPs arrives
- 0355 Compound 9 receives notice of Fog Plan, instructed to count
- 0440 Complete count (as per compound 9) (CCT reports 100% accountability)
- 0545 After arrive back from the IF, CPT [REDACTED] tells SSG [REDACTED] to have compounds conduct complete ISN count of all detainees



Timeline

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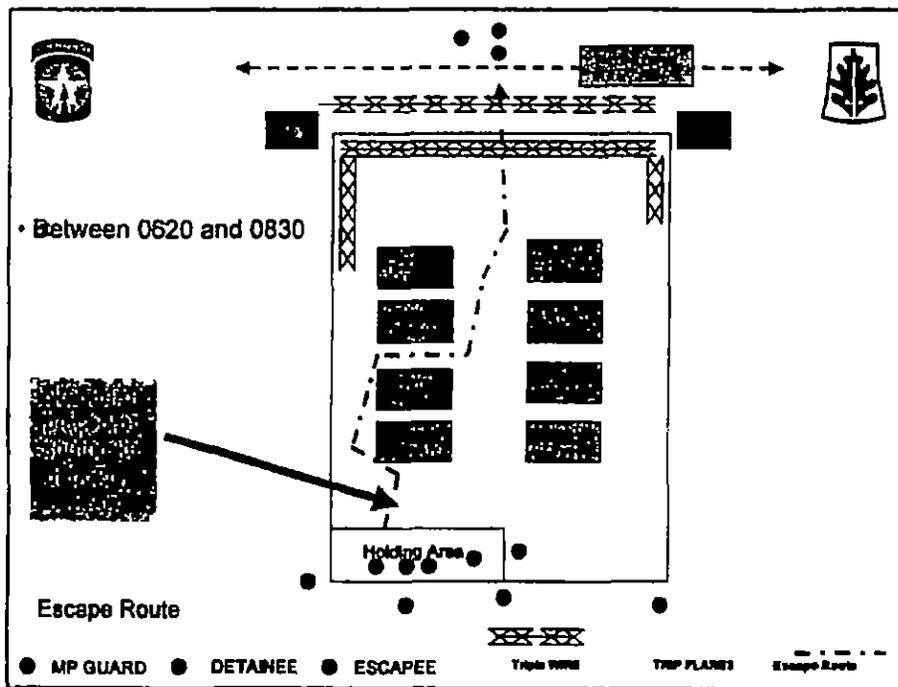
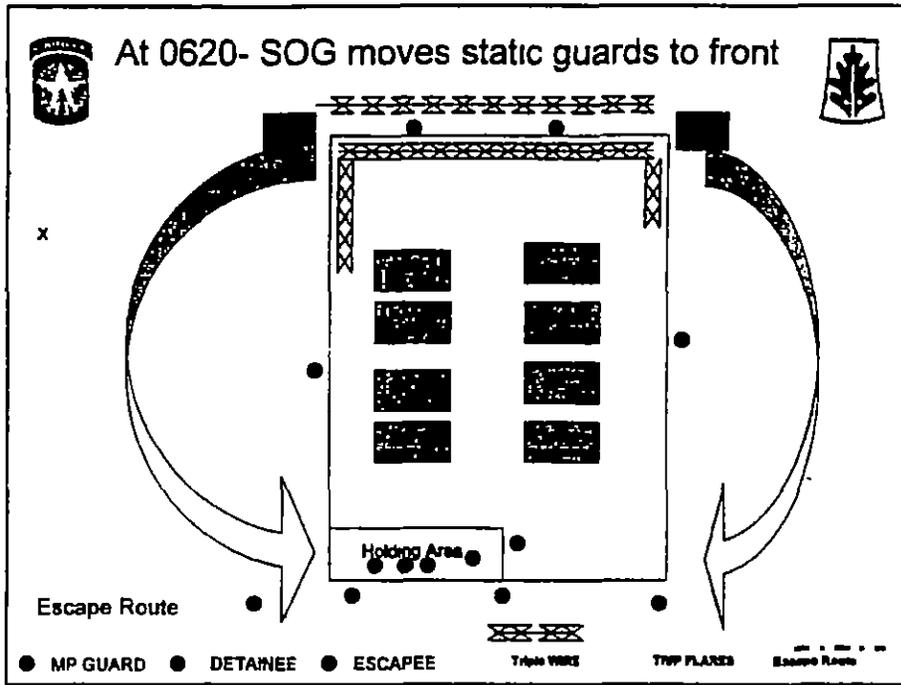
0600 OIC moves static guard and tower to front
0620 Last static guards moves to front
0700 Compound 9 conducts counts by ISN (approximate detainee chow arrival)
0730 Chow arrives at compound 9 approximately
0830 CCT 9 discovers ISNs are missing
0930 SOG fog starts to lift, move back to towers (compound 9)
1000 SOG calls off Fog Plan
1013 Fog Plan lifted, advised compound NCOIC and SOG
1030 SOG meets with [REDACTED] (463 - coming up short) 458 (2 in hospital)
1140 Advised by compound 9 that prisoners reported as hospitalized
1145 Rover team sent to check for tracks
1151 Advised by compound 9 SOG of foot tracks from back and over berm
1200 Notified 977th to activate QRF to conduct search
1240 Advised by MSG [REDACTED] (OPS -SGM) that detainees 115236, 116272, 151933, need manifest to include pictures
1410 Contact British forces and local Iraqi Police in UMM Qasar



Summary of Key Events



- Visibility was 10 to 15 meters from 0300 to 0900
- 988th MP CO used entire company to surround the compound Rule of thumb was each guard was placed within viewing distance of each other
- Conditions and use of guards coming off a 12 hour shift hampered observation ability
- MP/Guards were not completely surrounding the holding pen after count was complete as instructed in the FOG Plan MPs were placed on the North, East, and West No guard was placed on the south side of the holding pen
- Holding area dimensions are approximately 20 x 50 meters
- The SOG moved the exterior static guards on the south side of compound 9 at 0620
- Compound control team NCO did not immediately inform the SOG that his count may be off He recounted to check his original count
- The window of opportunity for the detainee to escape is established between 0620 and 0830 It was during this time that the exterior static guards on the south side of compound 9 move to the front of the compound and when the compound control team NCO discovered the count was off during detainee feeding
- SOG discovers that detainees low crawled under the wire from the holding area to the rear of the compound and through the rear layer of wire

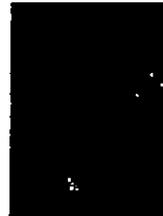




Detainee escape through wire Compound 9



Detainees bend the reinforced razor wire and walk over



Detainees low crawled and stepped over the trip wire



Corrective Action



In-Process

- Chain link fence
- 20-foot ditch around entire compound
- K-9 dog teams
- Additional trip flares
- Additional radios

Not Confirmed

- Thermal equipment
- Contracted engineer assets to add additional wire



Corrective Action



SOP Improvements

- Fog Plan rehearsal of plan
- Count procedures
- Ensure that 360 degree security is maintained on compound at ALL times to include holding area during FOG plan
- Use of QM, BN, and Signal personnel for additional bodies once all MPs are exhausted

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1 LOCATION	2 DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2004 1 27	3 TIME 1300 HRS	4 FILE NUMBER
5 LAST NAME, FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME [REDACTED]	6 SSN [REDACTED]	7 GRADE/STATUS E-4 / SPC	
8 ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS 310TH MP BN			

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 I, [REDACTED] WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH

On Monday, 26 JAN 2004, Sgt [REDACTED] and I reported to work at the IF. We assumed responsibilities at compound 9 at around 0002 hrs I could see that there was fog in the area, making it hard for us to see the compound we were informed that the Fog Plan was to be actuated we were told to tell the prisoners to stay in their tents later we were told to start getting the prisoners out of their tents and take them into the holding pen I was lining up the detainees to send them into the pen, 10 at a time Sgt [REDACTED] was counting them as they walked into the pen once the count was done, Sgt [REDACTED] said that our count was at 100%. The Fog Plan was still dense and we kept the prisoners in the holding pen the prisoners were still in the pen when the morning chow arrived at around 0700 hrs we started feeding the prisoners and also conducted an ISN manifest count Sgt [REDACTED] was counting the prisoners tent by tent by ISN number The prisoners ate their food in the holding pen because the Fog Plan had not been lifted we ~~perceived~~^{received} received word that the Fog Plan had been lifted and the prisoners were counted as they left the holding pen Sgt Plummer was not comfortable with the count, he tried to make contact with the TOC but he couldn't get through He then asked the tower guard to get a hold of his SOB and the SOG was informed by Sgt. [REDACTED]

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STATEMENT OF [REDACTED] TAKEN AT 1300 HRS DATED 2004 1 27

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that he was not comfortable with the count. The prisoners were then placed back in the holding pen and made another count and came to the conclusion that there were 4 detainees missing from the compound.

END OF STATEMENT

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STATEMENT OF [REDACTED] TAKEN AT 1300 HRS DATED 2005-11-27

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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES

Subscribed and sworn to before me a person authorized by law, I administer oaths this _____ day of _____ at _____

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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5 LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME [REDACTED]	6 SSN [REDACTED]	7 GRADE STATUS 15	
8 ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS 31011 mp BN			

9 I, [REDACTED], WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH

At approximately 0335 the fog plan was placed into effect. After I was informed that the covers were in place at the back of the compound and to start my count I did. The Camp major was informed that the fog plan was in effect and he started to call all detainees from their tents. SFC [REDACTED] group the detainees by "1" and counted them off by ten as he sent them to me. I then, using a hand held counter, counted them into the feed pen. Once we had 100% count approximately 440 I informed the NCOIC/OIC of the camp status.

Once morning chow arrived (between 0700-0730) I counted the detainees once again using the ISN manifest. At the end of this count I was not comfortable with the numbers I obtained. About the same time the NCO in charge of the manifest came for the daily pick-up. I informed the sergeant that I wanted to check the numbers with the log book and movement sheet before the manifest was taken.

Once the fog plan was lifted, which was about the same time, started to perform another count. I was still unhappy with the numbers. At this time I attempted to contact the NCOIC/OIC on the site.

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1300

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and the TOC with no luck I then told the trainees to contact the SOG. Once the SOG arrived another count was conducted with the conclusion that (4) detainees were missing from compound #7.

SOG/OIC took the necessary steps and started the search and investigation which initially concluded that the detainees left the back of the feeding pen making their way to the back of the compound and low cabbles outside of the IF, now waiting final result of investigation.
End Statement.

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ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION

30th mp BR

LOCATION

Comp
Bureau Hq

PERIOD COVERED

FROM TO
HOUR DATE HOUR DATE
0001 25 Jan 04

ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN	INL
	IN	OUT			
1	0001		Sgt [redacted] to Sgt [redacted] on Duty relieved Sgt [redacted] and SPC [redacted] w/m [redacted]	Logged	
2	0030		Compound check made	Logged	
3	0100		Compound check	Logged	
4	0104		Comme check w/Tower on [redacted] Note 127 Radio is map	Logged	
5	0130		check made of compound	Logged	
6	0200		Compound check made	Logged	
7	0230		Compound check	Logged	
8	0300		Compound check	Logged	
9	0330		Compound check	Logged	
10	0400		compound check	Logged	
11	0420		Dog had set off trip flare Directly in rear of compound	Logged	
12	0500		Compound check	Logged	
13	0530		Compound check	Logged	
14	0600		Compound check	Logged	
15	0630		Compound check	Logged	
15	0653		morning chow arrives	Logged	
16	0730		ON the morning count (462) in the wire (464) assigned	Logged	
17	0930		Returns # 152462, 150899		

TYPED NAME AND GRADE OF OFFICER OR OFFICIAL ON DUTY

[redacted] Sgt

SIGNATURE

[redacted] Sgt/c.s

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				FROM		TO	
36th mp BN		Camp Bucca 09		HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
				0600	25 Jan 04	0600	25 Jan 04
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
	IN	OUT					
			116465 115340 116400, 151804				
			150747, 150374, 151718, 116337				
			150258, 150757 ^{TP} , 115638				
			Tmc note TP.	Logged			
1020			Detainee # 150825, 151803				
			152037, 151953, 151867				
			151281 AT TMC (Sick call)				
			(443) in wire				
11:15			150899, 116400, 151804, 151718				
			116337, 150258, 115638 Return				
			From Sick call (450) in wire	Logged			
1130			# 152462, 116465, 115340, 150-				
			747, 150379, 150258, 151867				
			151281 151953 Return Fco				
			Sick call (451) in wire	Logged			
1200			Relieved by Sgt				

NAME AND GRADE OF OFFICER OR OFFICIAL ON DUTY

[Redacted Name]

SIGNATURE

[Redacted Signature]

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310 MP BN		COMP 9 CAMP BUCCA		FROM		TO	
				HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
				12.00	20040126	00 01	20040127
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS MESSAGES ORDERS ETC	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
	IN	OUT					
1	12.00		SGT [REDACTED] AND SPC [REDACTED]				
			RELIEVED SGT [REDACTED] AND SPC [REDACTED]				
			[REDACTED]	LOGGED			
2	12:30		POSSIBLE ESCAPE, FOUR				
			DETAINEES 116272 151933152	LOGGED			
3	13:00		115235, 115459	LOGGED			
3	13:00		INVESTIGATING POSSIBLE ESCAPE	LOGGED			
4	13.30		CONT INVESTIGATION ON POSSIBLE				
			ESCAPE.	LOGGED			
5	14.00		COMMENCE COUNT	LOGGED			
6	15.00		END COUNT T.C 459	LOGGED			
7	15.30		COMMENCE FEEDING	LOGGED			
8	17.00		END FEEDING	LOGGED			
9	17.30		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
10	18.00		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
11	18:30		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
12	19:00		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
13	19:30		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
14	20.00		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
15	20:30		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
16	21:00		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
17	21.30		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			
18	22:00		ALL SECURE	LOGGED			

TYPED NAME AND GRADE OF OFFICER OR OFFICIAL ON DUTY

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310TH MP BN		Camp Bucca TOC		FROM		TO		
				HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE	
ITEM NC	TIME		INCIDENTS MESSAGES ORDERS ETC				ACTION TAKEN	IN.
	IN	OUT						
01	0800		SSG [redacted] on duty no serious incidents to report.				Logged	[redacted]
02	0904		SGT [redacted] notified TOC that clearance is pending + release notified SFC [redacted] En route to location in about 15 min.				Logged	[redacted]
03	1013		FOL Plan has been lifted advised by command NLTCC and SOG				Logged	[redacted]
04	1102		Advised that PDE class has been changed from 1030 to 1400 advised 977+988+310				Logged	[redacted]
05	1146		Advised [redacted] manager that I have local national + CSA referred at TLP BERMA TO SEE [redacted]				Logged	[redacted]
06	1151		Advised by command 9 that prisoners 116432 - 116431 - 151282 referred as Bremer hospitalized are not housed in only one '15 116432				Logged	[redacted]
07	1155		Advised by SGT of four tracks from back of command 9 and over Buem				NOTIFIED 977 TO ACTIVATE ASO	[redacted]
08	1241D		Advised by S-3A that detainees 115236 ^{work up} 116272, 151933, 152969 need manifest to include purchase distributed to each command. notified S-1 need to notify S-1 SEC. S-3A advised that possible				ADVISE	[redacted]
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				0800	01-26-04	2000	01-26-04
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS MESSAGES ORDERS ETC	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
	IN	OUT					
			ESCAPE ATTEMPT WAS MADE. FROM REAR OF COMPOUND 9 FORTH-KHAWAR SIDE NOTICED DAMAGE TO WIRE. POSSIBLE TIME OF ESCAPE 0444 HRS TO 0830 HRS. 977 HAS PATROLS OUT IN AREA. ALSO OUT TEAM 2 VEHICLES.	LOGGED			
09	1254		ADVISED BY S-1 NUSC THAT SSB ASST TAKEN ROUTE TO LOCATION DOWN AT JAWHAR STATION IN REGARDS TO RETURN WORKUP FOR DETAINEE NUMBERS AFORMENTIONED	LOGGED			
10	1300		NOTIFIED 977 TO ACQUIRE ORF AT THAT TIME	LOGGED			
11	1416		CONTACTED BLUISH FORCES STAKE TO A REPORT STATED HE WOULD NOTIFY 20 REGIMENT ALSO OPERATING OUT OF UM KASAR IN REFERENCE TO ESCAPED DETAINEE'S # 115236 CE + 116272 CE PASSED ON ALL NECESSARY PEDURSE INFORMATION. (6492) 963-3105	LOGGED			
12	1424		STAKE TO RAEI IN REFERENCE TO ESCAPED DETAINEES STATED THAT HE WOULD ADVISE PATROL IN AREA FROM BLUISH FORCES TO STOP AT CAMP BUCCA AND OBTAIN PHOTOS OF DETAINEE P.O.C. GIVEN MSG COMBANDANT	LOGGED			
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